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The reply filed on May 18, 2004 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): The status of the amendment is not correct. For example, claim 41 is listed as previously presented; however, the scope of the claim is not the same as claim 41 in the amendment submitted on 11/28/2003. The same problem is noted for claim 43. In the amendment filed on 11/28/2003, the scope of claim 43 is entirely different from claim 43 filed in the amendment of 5/18/2004. Furthermore, claim 43 was amended in the amendment on 8/12/1999 to include the limitation "about 2 percent to about 3 percent. The amendment filed on 11/28/2003 did not identify claims 41, 43 and 44 correctly. All these claims were amended in previous amendments, specifically the amendments filed on 3/31/1999 and 8/12/1999. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, the period of response expires from day of the mailing of the final rejection or the mailing of the previous advisory action, whichever is later.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Lien T Tran whose telephone number 571-272-1408. The examiner can normally be reached on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.

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